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## COMMENT SOUGHT ON PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

**WC Docket No. 07-102** 

**COMMENTS DUE: May 31, 2007** 

**REPLY COMMENTS DUE: June 15, 2007** 

This Public Notice invites comment on the Petition for Declaratory Ruling filed by Interior Telephone Company, Inc. (ITC). In its petition, ITC requests a declaratory ruling with respect to rule 51.715.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, ITC requests that the Commission issue a declaratory ruling clarifying whether 47 C.F.R. § 51.715 requires an ILEC to provide interim interconnection when it is in the process of negotiating non-price interconnection terms pursuant to the timelines established in Section 252 of the Act and when no dispute exists regarding the rates applicable to the transport and termination of traffic.<sup>3</sup>

Interested parties may file comments on or before May 31, 2007, and reply comments on or before June 15, 2007. Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS); (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal; or (3) by filing paper copies.<sup>4</sup>

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/ or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the websites for submitting comments.
  - For ECFS filers, if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Petition for Declaratory Ruling of Interior Telephone Company, Inc., WC Docket No. 07-102 (filed May 3, 2007).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *Id.* (citing 47 C.F.R. § 51.715).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See id. at 4-5, 18.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov">ecfs@fcc.gov</a>, and include the following words in the subject line or body of the message: get form <a href="mailto:your email address">your email address</a>. A sample form and directions will be sent in response.

Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of <u>before</u> entering the building.
- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Washington DC 20554.

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All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Parties should also send a copy of their filings to Margaret Dailey, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5-A221, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Washington, DC 20554, or by e-mail to Margaret.Dailey@fcc.gov. Parties must also serve one copy with the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th St., SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 488-5300, or via e-mail to fcc@bcpiweb.com.

Documents in WC Docket No. 07-102 are available for public inspection and copying during business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. The documents may also be purchased from BCPI, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, TTY (202) 488-5562, e-mail <a href="fcc@bcpiweb.com">fcc@bcpiweb.com</a>. Documents also may be viewed on the Commission's website at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs">http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs</a>.

This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentation and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.

presented generally is required.<sup>6</sup> Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.<sup>7</sup>

For further information, contact Margaret Dailey of the Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-1520.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).